(c) whether Government have prepared a comprehensive plan to provide these facilities in all the existing schools so that the younger generation takes to games and sports in a big way; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and if not, whether Government propose to prepare such a plan now?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (d) Government are aware that India has not been able to keep pace with some other nations in performance in games and sports but it is not correct to say that there has been a steep decline in performance in all games and sports. In some disciplines, national records have been improving over the years which is indicative of general improvement in performance; in some we have been able to improve our performance in the international arena as well.

It is agreed that one of the reasons for this is lack of infrastructure including playgrounds in schools and educational institution. According to available informations about 10,000 Secondary Schools do not have facilities of a playground. For development of playfields as such Government of India has a Scheme under which financial assistance to the extent of 50 per cent of approved expenditure or Rs. 50,000/- whichever is less (75 per cent or Rs. 75,000/- for hilly areas) is provided. Government has also formulated recently a Scheme for giving assistance worth Rs. 1.00 lakh to at least one school in each Block for development of athletic track, purchase of equipment like hurdles, goal posts, etc., and for construction of a small gymnasium. The Action Programme to implement the New Education Policy outlines several steps to be taken for development of sports infrastructure in schools and educational institutions. Government has also introduced a scheme of giving prize money of Rs. 10,000/- for each discipline to the school winning in a district level competition conducted in certain disciplines.

Extension of Vayudoot service to Belonia in Tripura

315. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to extend the Vayudoot service to Belonia a sub-divisional town in Tripura;

(b) if so, when this Vayudoot service is likely to take effect; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in negative what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Constraint of aircraft capacity and absence of an operational airfield at Belonia do not permit inclusion of this station in the immediate expansion programme of Vayudoot.

गुजरात में केन्द्रीय विद्यालय

316. **श्री मीर्जा इर्शादबेग** : क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री 22 अप्रैल, 1987 को राज्य सभा में तारांकित प्रश्न 525 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) केन्द्रीय विद्याल स्थापित किये जाने हेतु गुजरात मेंय किन-किन जिलों का चयन किया गया है और इस प्रयोजन के लिए साबरकांठा जिले में किस स्थान को चुना गया है ;

(ख) इन विद्यालयों की स्थापना के कार्य में क्या प्रगति हुई है; और

(ग) इसे कब तक पूरा कर दिये जाने की संभावना है ?